

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

AUTHORS GUILD, DAVID BALDACCI, MARY BLY, MICHAEL CONNELLY, SYLVIA DAY, JONATHAN FRANZEN, JOHN GRISHAM, ELIN HILDERBRAND, CHRISTINA BAKER KLINE, MAYA SHANBHAG LANG, VICTOR LAVALLE, GEORGE R.R. MARTIN, JODI PICOULT, DOUGLAS PRESTON, ROXANA ROBINSON, GEORGE SAUNDERS, SCOTT TUROW, and RACHEL VAIL, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

OPENAI INC., OPENAI LP, OPENAI LLC, OPENAI GP LLC, OPENAI OPCO LLC, OPENAI GLOBAL LLC, OAI CORPORATION LLC, OPENAI HOLDINGS LLC, OPENAI STARTUP FUND I LP, OPENAI STARTUP FUND GP I LLC, and OPENAI STARTUP FUND MANAGEMENT LLC,

Defendants.

JONATHAN ALTER, KAI BIRD, TAYLOR BRANCH, RICH COHEN, EUGENE LINDEN, DANIEL OKRENT, JULIAN SANCTON, HAMPTON SIDES, STACY SCHIFF, JAMES SHAPIRO, JIA TOLENTINO, and SIMON WINCHESTER, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

OPENAI, INC., OPENAI GP, LLC, OPENAI, LLC, OPENAI OPCO LLC, OPENAI GLOBAL LCC, OAI CORPORATION, LLC, OPENAI HOLDINGS, LLC, and MICROSOFT CORPORATION,

Defendants.

No. 1:23-cv-08292-SHS-OTW  
No. 1:23-cv-10211-SHS-OTW  
No. 1:24-cv-00084-SHS-OTW

NICHOLAS A. BASBANES and NICHOLAS NGAGOYEANS (professionally known as Nicholas Gage), individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, OPENAI, INC., OPENAI GP, LLC, OPENAI HOLDINGS, LLC, OAI CORPORATION, LLC, OPENAI GLOBAL, LLC, OPENAI, LLC, and OPENAI OPCO LLC,

Defendants.

**ORDER GRANTING WITHDRAWAL OF ALLYSON R. BENNETT**

Upon the finding of good cause, the motion by Morrison & Foerster LLP to withdraw Allyson R. Bennett as counsel for Defendants OpenAI Inc., OpenAI OpCo LLC, OpenAI GP LLC, OpenAI LLC, OpenAI Global LLC, OAI Corporation LLC, OpenAI Holdings LLC, OpenAI Startup Fund I LP, OpenAI Startup Fund GP I LLC, and OpenAI Startup Fund Management LLC (collectively, “Defendants”) is GRANTED. Defendants will continue to be represented by Morrison & Foerster LLP in this matter.

The Clerk of Court is respectfully directed to reflect this termination on the docket and to terminate the motion at ECF No. XXX.

**SO ORDERED.**

Dated: September 26, 2024



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**Ona T. Wang**  
United States Magistrate Judge